

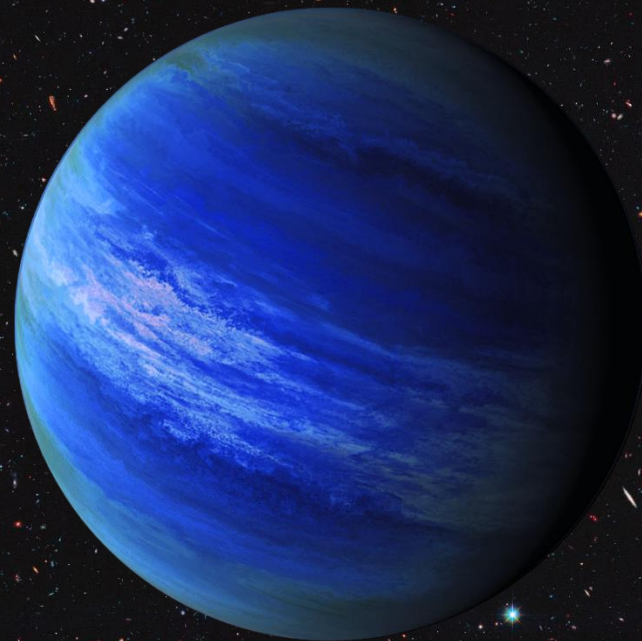
Review & Update of WFIRST Coronagraph Instrument & Technology

Richard Demers & CGI Team

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Optical, IR & Millimeter Wave

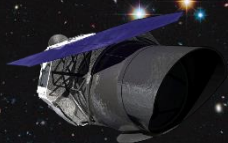
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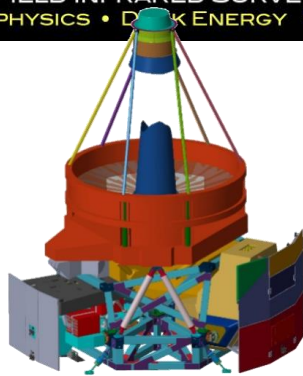
Instrument Status & Overview



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- SRR/SDR held on 8,9 May 2018 at JPL
- Independent Review Team (IRT) drawn from various institutions
 - Carnegie Institute, Chair
 - JPL
 - NASA HQ, GSFC
 - Caltech
 - GMTO
- “The IRT deems the CGI...sufficiently mature to proceed to project life cycle Phase B and Preliminary Design Review (PDR)”
- 29 Requests for Action (RFAs) “but none of them presents an objection to the project moving forward to Phase B
- “...the CGI team has met and addressed all of the multiple success criteria listed for a SRR/SDR, and that as a result the WFIRST CGI is ready to begin Phase B.”

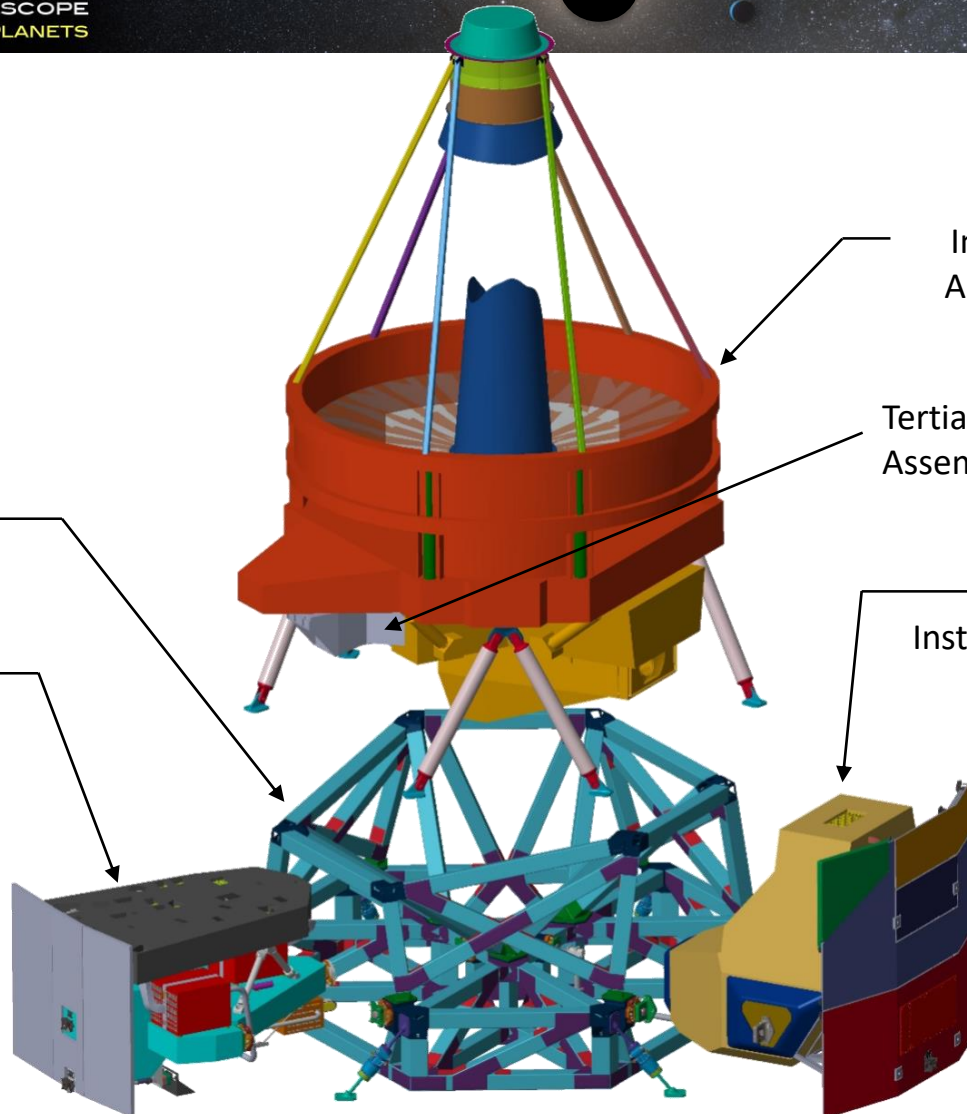
CGI in WFIRST Payload



Payload, integrated

Instrument
Carrier (IC)

**Coronagraph
Instrument (CGI)**



Payload, exploded view

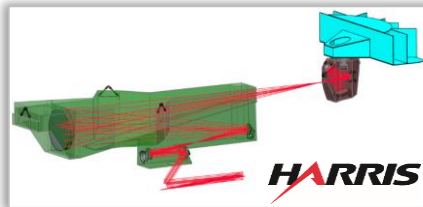
Imaging Optics
Assembly (IOA)

Tertiary Collimator
Assembly (TCA)

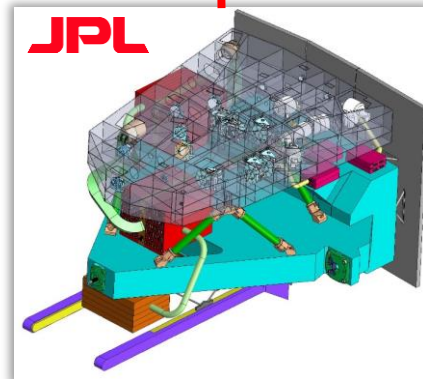
Wide-Field
Instrument (WFI)

CGI External Interfaces

Tertiary Collimator Assembly

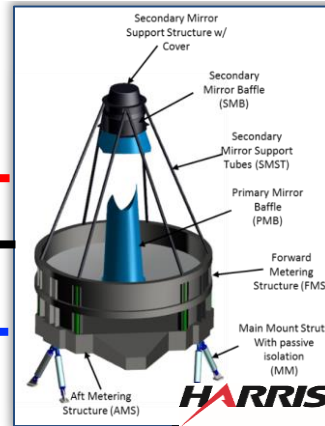


Optical input



Coronagraph Instrument

Forward Optics Assembly

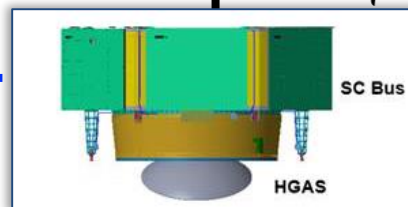


Bipods



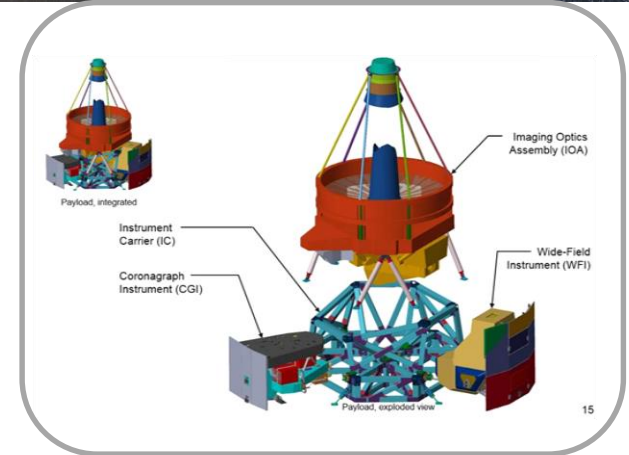
D-struts

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Instrument Carrier

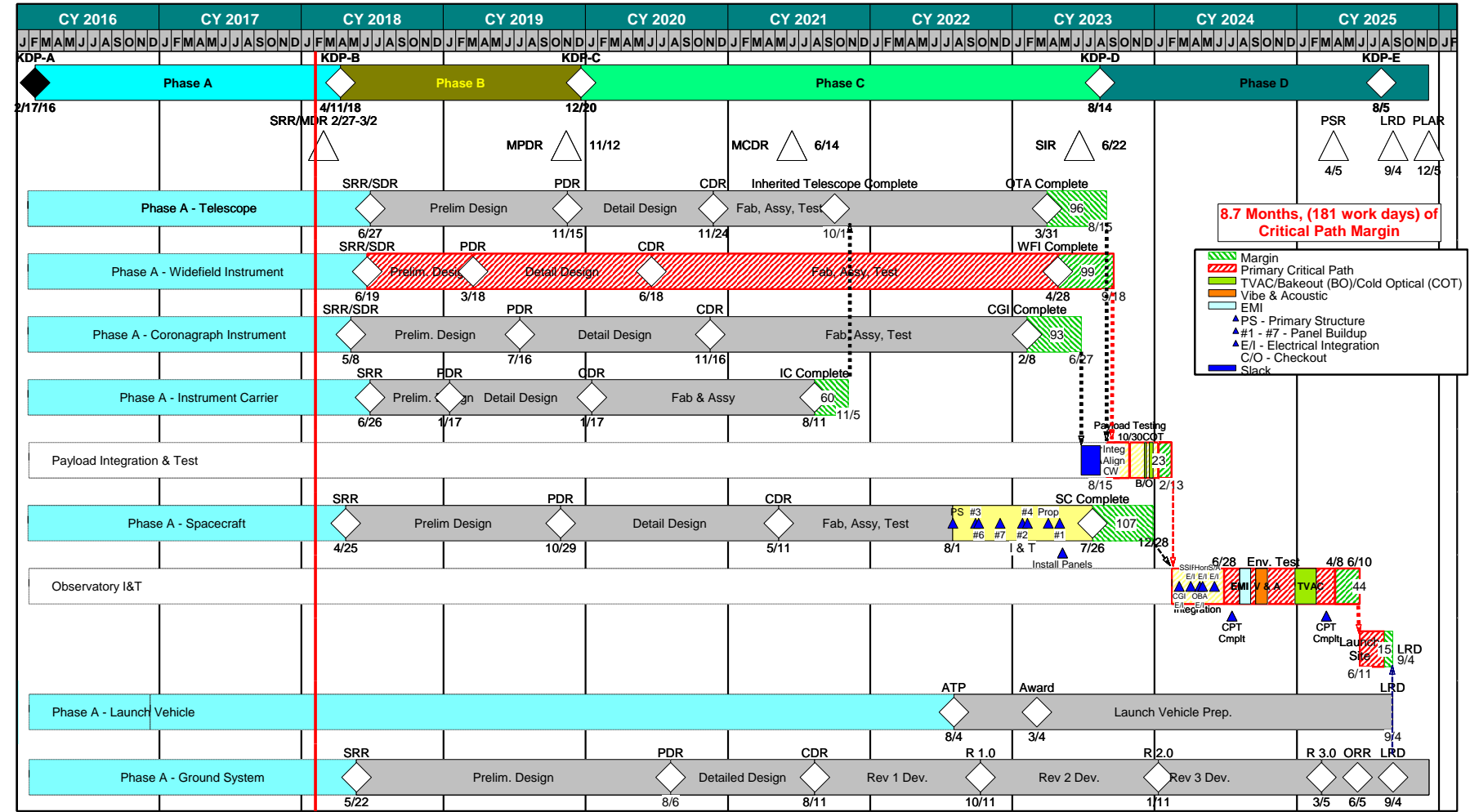
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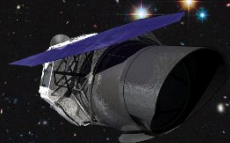


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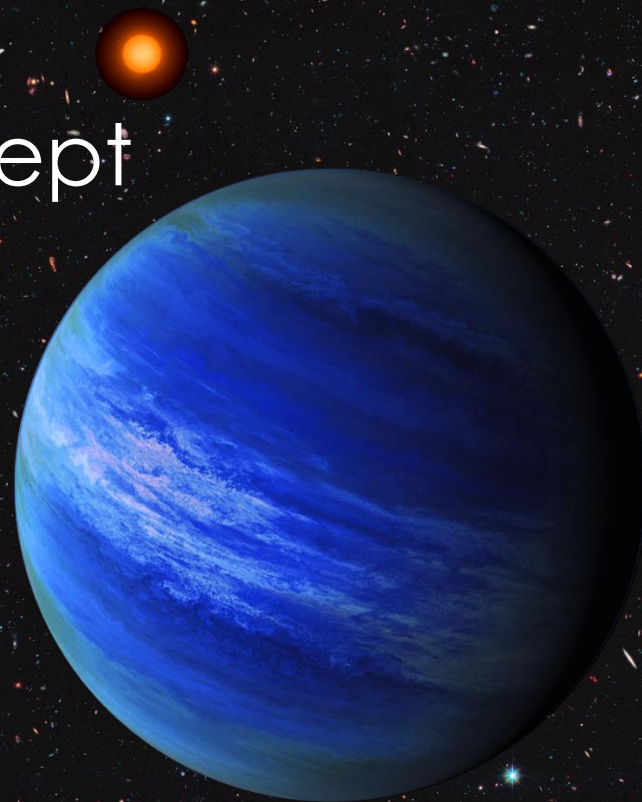
- Mechanical
- Optical
- Electrical

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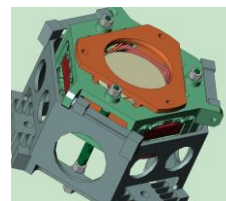


Coronagraph Design Concept

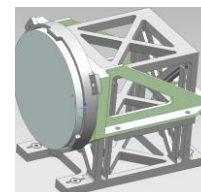


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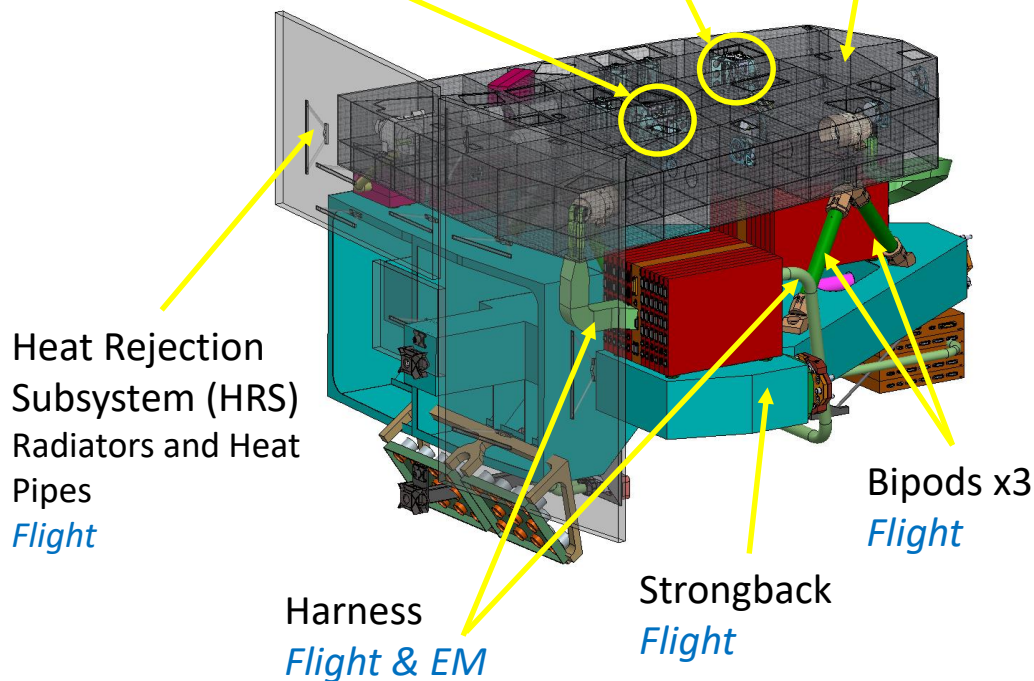
- 2 PbMgNb Deformable Mirrors (48x48 actuators)
- Direct Imaging channel with Photon-Counting EMCCD operated at 165 K
- Integral Field Spectrograph (R = 50, cooled EMCCD camera)
- Low-Order Wavefront Sensor (Rejected starlight, EMCCD camera)
- Passively cooled electronics and EMCCDs
- Active thermal control for bench, DM, EMCCDs and electronics
- Robotically serviceable payload interface
- Starshade accommodation



Mechanisms
1-FSM; 1-FocM
Flight & EM



Optical Bench
Flight



Thermal HW not shown:
Heaters/PRTs/Tstats/Thermal Straps/MLI

Structure & Harness

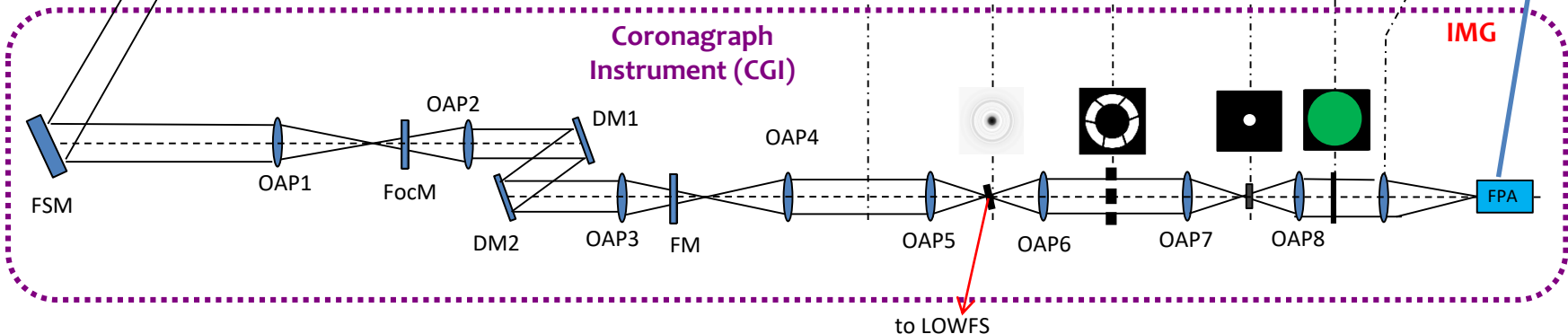
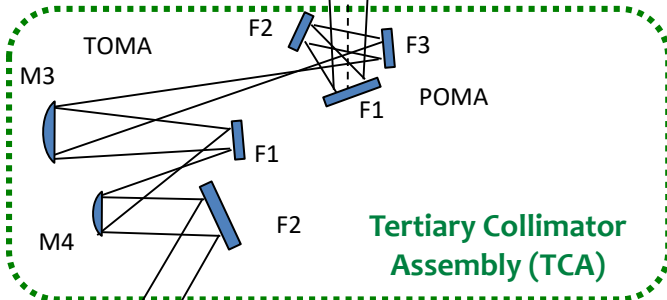
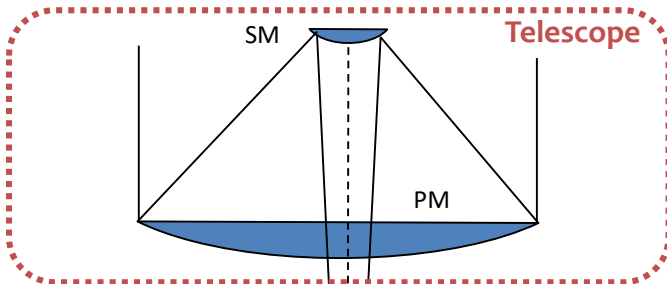
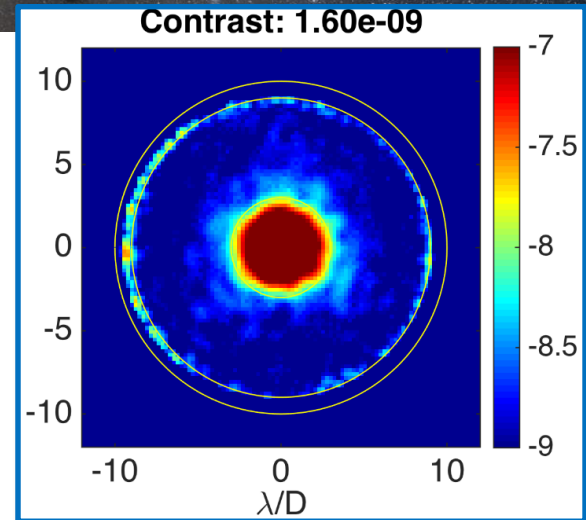
- CBE 83.9kg

Thermal Hardware

- CBE 25.7kg

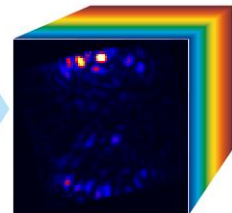
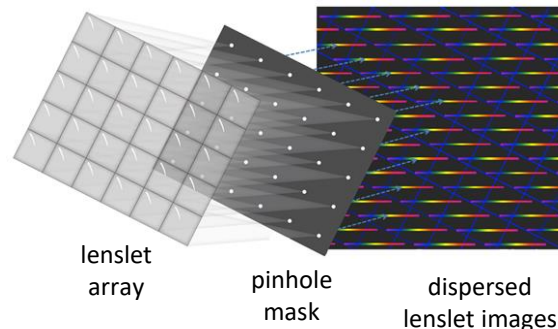
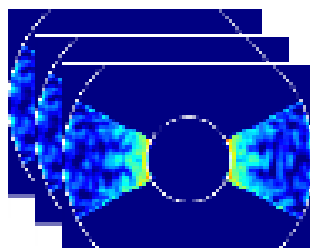
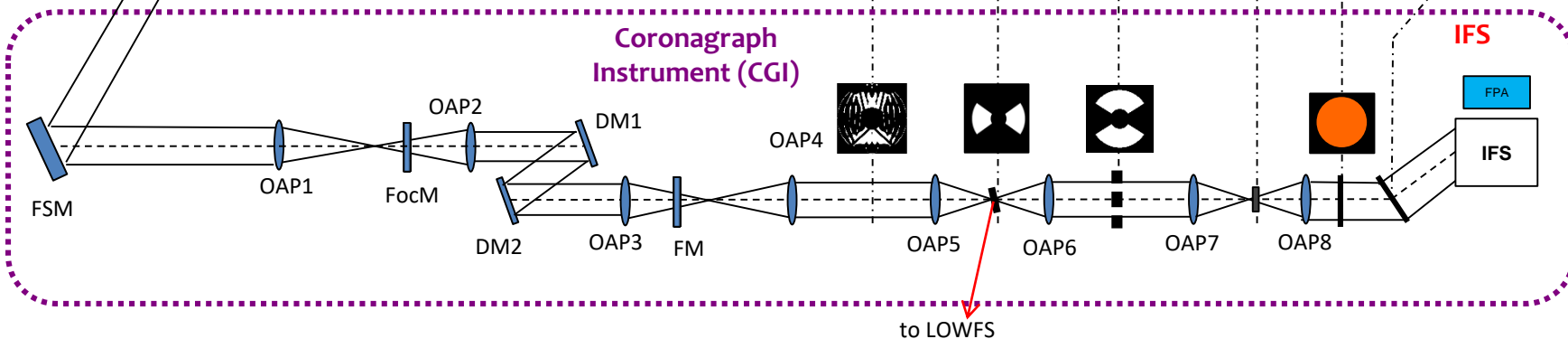
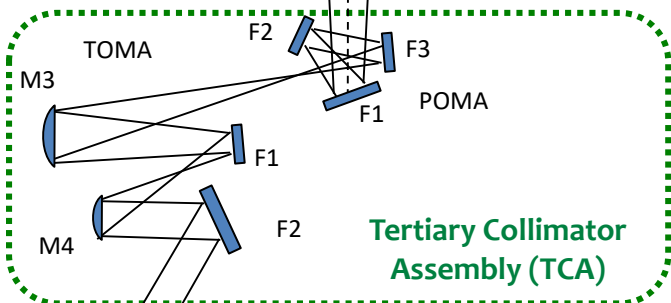
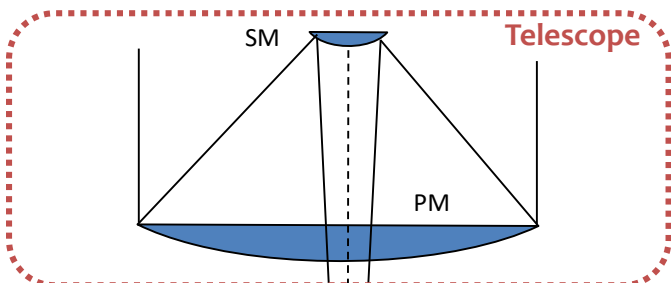
Imaging with Narrow Field of View Mode

Dark hole for planet photometry and discovery



Spectroscopy Mode

The IFS uses 3 18% bands to produce $R=50$ spectra from 600 to 970nm



Imaging with Wide Field of View Mode

Disk imaging at wavelengths 508 and 721 nm, with OWA of $20 \lambda/D$

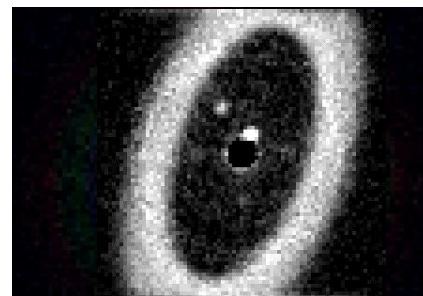
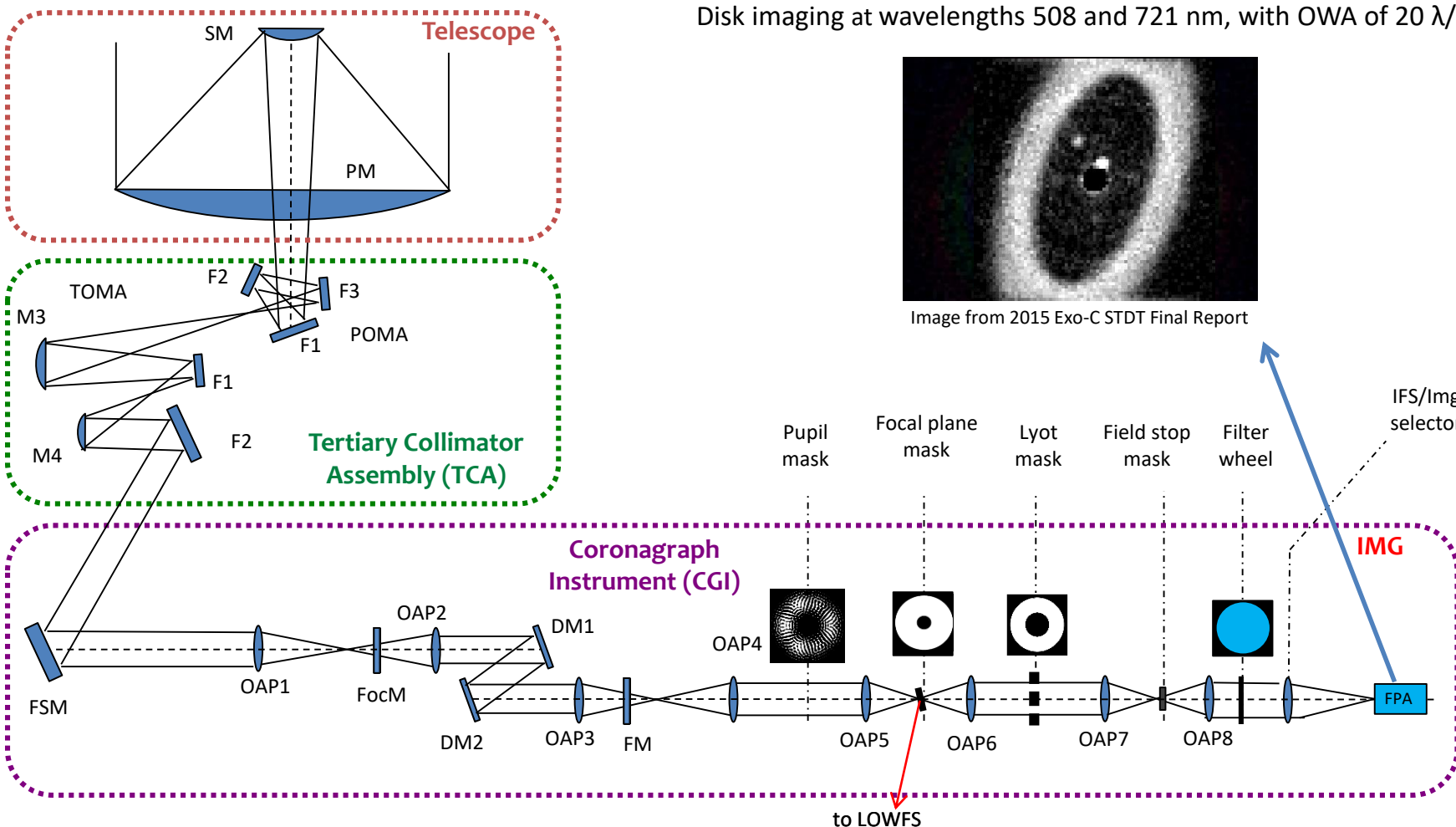
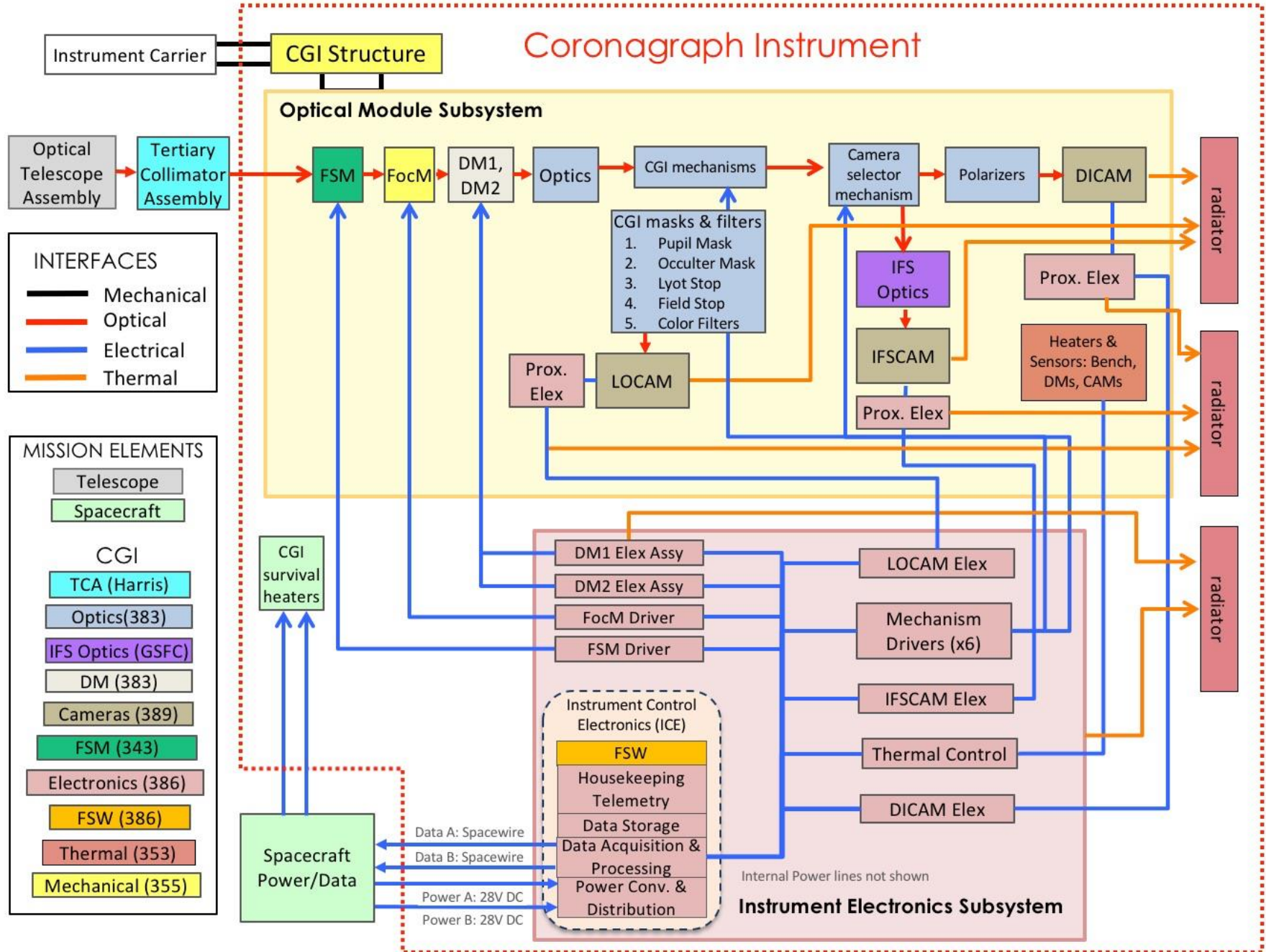


Image from 2015 Exo-C STDT Final Report



Coronagraph Instrument



- The Teledyne-e2v EMCCD (CCD201-20) used for Imaging, Spectroscopy and Low Order Wavefront Sensing
- Design/process variants are under evaluation to
 - Improve performance margins for CGI technology demonstration
 - Maximize performance for future exoplanet missions
- Image degradation in photon counting mode due to radiation induced traps & cosmic rays
- Variants under evaluation to mitigate traps and cosmic ray tails

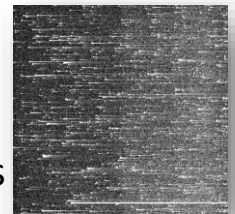
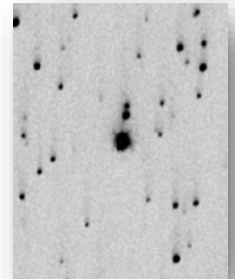
Process change only

1. Visible light shield removed – improves image via less transfers

Design changes

1. 4 & 3 μm narrow channel – improves image via lower trap capture rate
2. Notch channel – improves image via lower trap capture rate
 - Has more heritage than narrow channel
3. Low noise output amplifier & gain register overspill – mitigates cosmic ray tails

- Downselect between options April 2019



Selection of best EMCCD design for improved rad hardness

- Implementation of demonstrated algorithms in flight processing hardware
- Instrument Processor architecture
 - LEON4 processor + Virtex-5QV FPGA
 - HOWFSC
 - CGI command & control
 - Virtex-5QV FPGA
 - LOWFSC
- Key tasks for Phase B
 - Implement HOWFS Jacobian matrix processing (FFTs) in the FPGA
 - Use existing JPL boards to run benchmark tests
 - Run FFTs (Jacobian processing) in FPGA
 - Compare implementation of non-FFT portion of algorithms in LEON4 vs (LEON4 + FPGA)
 - Verify estimates for knockdown factors used in the processing calculations
 - Evaluate RTG4 FPGA as alternate to Virtex-5

Optimization of algorithms/processing across processor and FPGA(s) using existing flight designs/parts



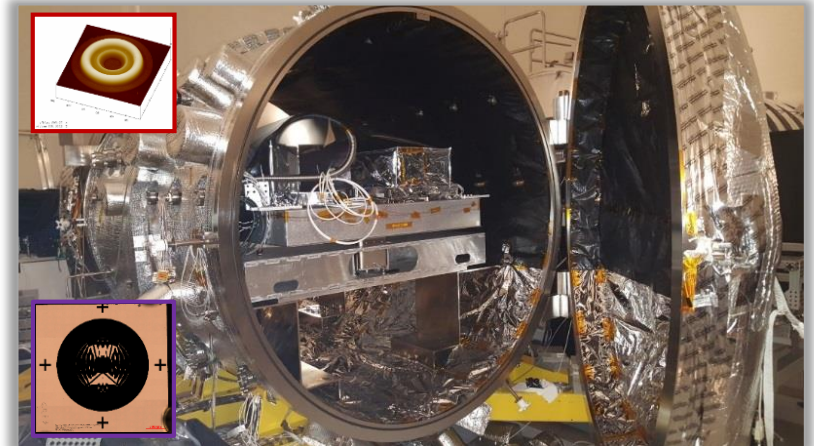
Technology Development & Engineering Risk Reduction



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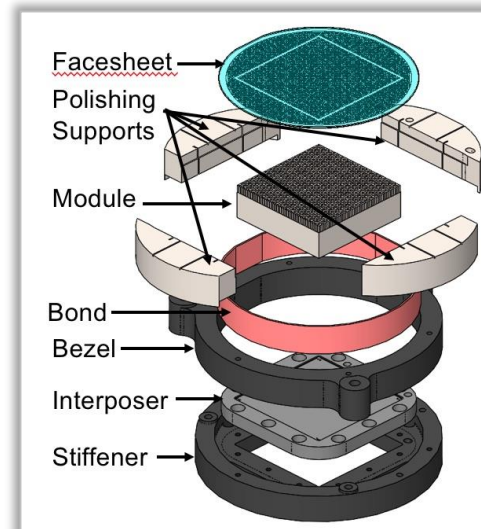
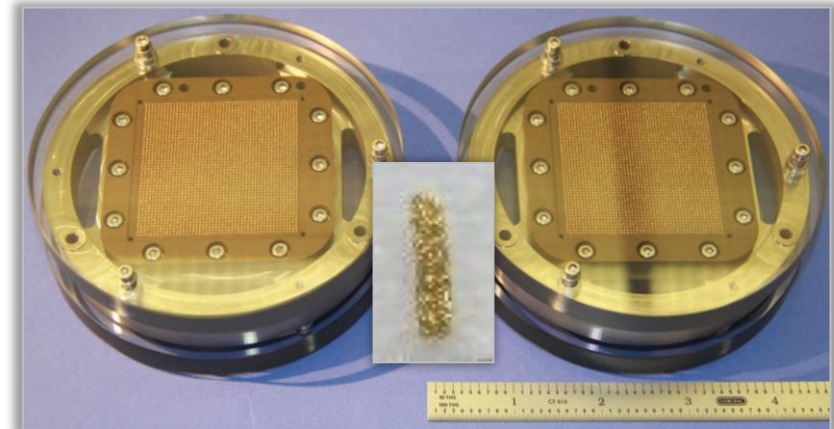
- LOWFS/C performance has been tested using source brightness equivalent to stars in the flight like condition ($M_v \leq 5.0$).
- With WFIRST like line-of-sight jitter injected by the testbed's Jitter Mirror the LOWFS/C can maintain the contrast stability for source as faint as $M_v = 5$. The post correction residual jitter, measured by coronagraph contrast, has shown to meet the WFIRST jitter requirement of 0.5 mas.
- Using source equivalent to $M_v = 5$ the testbed measured focus error rejection matches model prediction very well for LOWFS/C low order (focus) correction loop using a DM.
- We have also demonstrated simultaneous starlight light suppression wavefront control (EFC) while LOWFS/C is correcting the injected WFIRST like line-of-sight and wavefront disturbances, which will be reported in the next talk.
- Future work on the testbed for LOWFS/C:
 - Testing with low flux source continues on OMC testbed.
 - Integrating an existing integral field spectrometer (IFS) to the OMC testbed to demonstrate CGI spectroscopy mode working with LOWFS/C under dynamic condition.
 - Updating OTA-Simulator which includes updated jitter mirror and pinhole relay optics which will provide more capability of dynamic wavefront test

- Technology testbed facility will be repurposed to an engineering testbed after CGI PDR
- Unique system level validation vehicle
 - End-to-end system level testing
 - FSW testing
 - Verification of technology infusion (mask design, algorithms)
- Leverages an existing facility and several years of CGI testbed operations experience
- OTA simulator enables injection of dynamic disturbances
 - Thermal drift and RWA jitter
- Will use flight-like configuration
 - EM assemblies
 - Flight processor and electronics
 - Mechanisms
 - Cameras & DMs

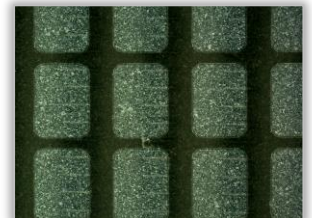


NORTHROP GRUMMAN

- PbMgNb (PMN) Electrostrictive DM
- with fuzz button interconnect
- Flight Interconnect development
 - Baseline: Reworkable Fuzz button interconnect
 - Backup: Micro-coil spring interconnect
 - Evaluate performance using Vacuum Surface Gauge & environmental testing
 - Downselect among two options Jan 2019 & begin 2nd build
- Module Connector-side Metallization
 - Photoresist used to eliminate conductive coupling between neighboring metal pads during deposition
- Environmental testing in 2018
 - Random vibration & thermal cycling



Photoresist pads (above)
Metallized pads (below)



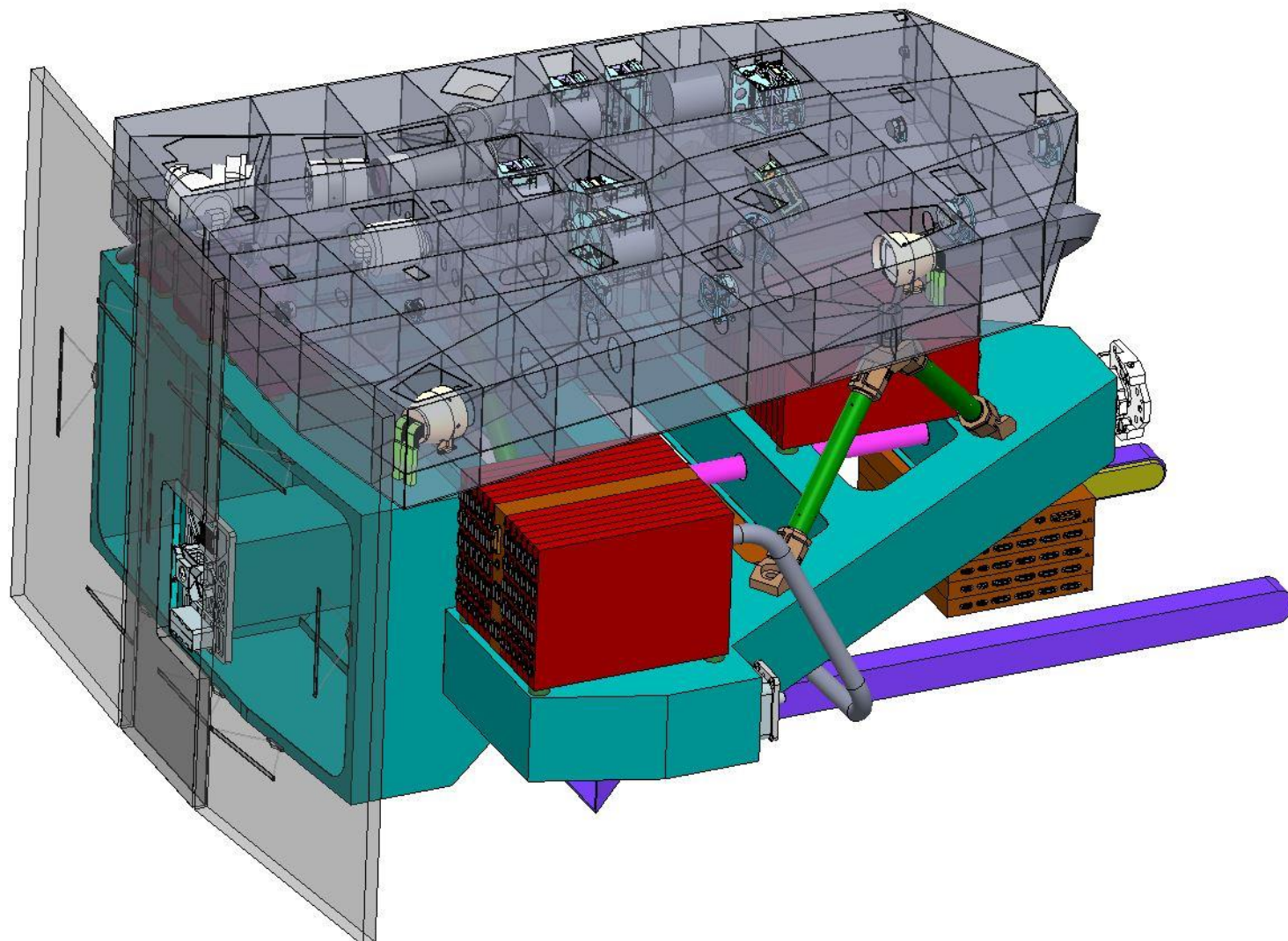
DM Advancing to TRL-6

- SRR/SDR and gate products successfully completed
- CGI now in Phase B
- Staffing has begun to ramp up
- Funds have been shifted forward from FY19,20 to FY18 to reduce schedule risk
- CGI team is poised to accelerate progress
- Instrument PDR summer 2019

DARE
MIGHTY
THINGS



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L4 V&V

CGI I&T

L5

Optical
Module
Subsystem

DM
Subsystem

Instrument
Electronics
Subsystem

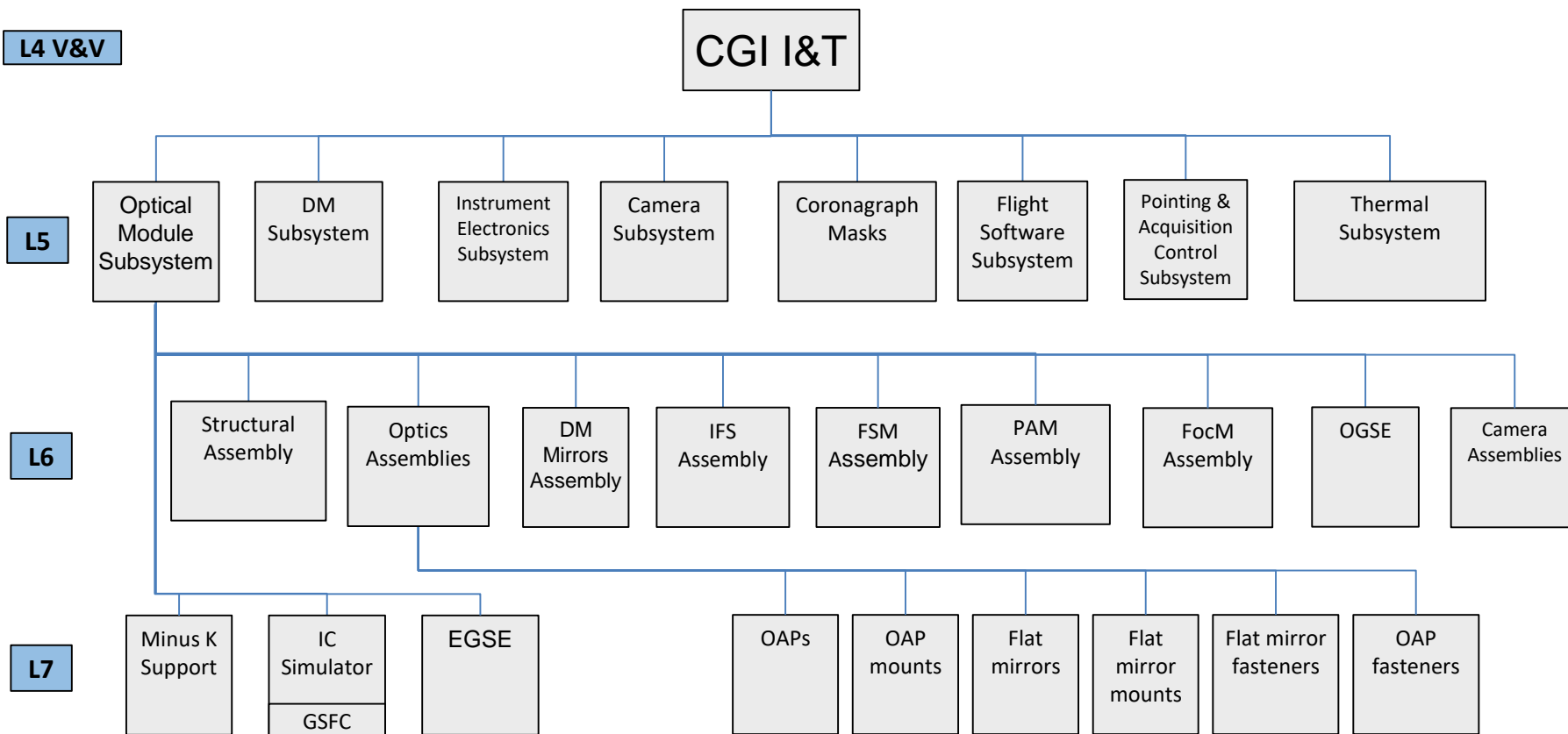
Camera
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Coronagraph
Masks

Flight
Software
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Pointing &
Acquisition
Control
Subsystem

Thermal
Subsystem



- EMCCDs
 - ESA/T-e2V
 - United Kingdom Space Agency/Center for Electronic Imaging of Open University
- Precision Alignment Mechanisms
 - DLR (*Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt e.V.*)/MPIA (Max Planck Institute for Astronomy)
- Off Axis Paraboloids
 - CNES (Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales)/Laboratoire Astrophysique Marseille
- Polarizers
 - Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)